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See p.2.

The drawings are objected to because they fail to illustrate all claimed subject matter. Some examples are sinusoid versus spiral, location of grooves, and shape of expanding lower portion, but all claimed structure. The "BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS" must be amended to refer to these differences. Corrected drawing sheets in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121(d) are required in reply to the Office action to avoid abandonment of the application. Any amended replacement drawing sheet should include all of the figures appearing on the immediate prior version of the sheet, even if only one figure is being amended. The figure or figure number of an amended drawing should not be labeled as "amended." If a drawing figure is to be canceled, the appropriate figure must be removed from the replacement sheet, and where necessary, the remaining figures must be renumbered and appropriate changes made to the brief description of the several views of the drawings for consistency. Additional replacement sheets may be necessary to show the renumbering of the remaining figures. Each drawing sheet submitted after the filing date of an application must be labeled in the top margin as either "Replacement Sheet" or "New Sheet" pursuant to 37 CFR 1.121(d). If the changes are not accepted by the examiner, the applicant will be notified and informed of any required corrective action in the next Office action. The objection to the drawings will not be held in abeyance.

See Rule 1.81.

Since it is likely that differences in structure will result in a restriction requirement, applicant may wish to advance prosecution by electing among the various drawing embodiments and listing the claims readable thereon.

APPLICANT IS GIVEN TWO MONTHS TO RESPOND TO THIS ACTION.



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